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1. Chinese Communist troops in Indochina total five infantry divisions and two artillery regiments,* as well as 90,000 troops on the Kwangsi-Indochina border. These troops are from armies under CHEN Keng and LIN Piao.
2. Arms given to the Viet Minh Army forces by the Chinese Communists are mostly Japanese and Chinese 7.9 mm rifles. The Chinese Communists also supplied Viet Minh Army forces with two million catties of rice in September and October, but reduced the amount supplied in November because the Viet Minh Army forces were reaching rice-producing areas in Indochina.
3. Several Soviet officers are in the Sino-Viet Minh combined general staff headquarters in Nanning.**
4. The Hunan-Kwangsi railroad is running from Hengyang to Laiyin (109-10, 23-42) and is being extended from Laiyin to Nanning.*** Approximately 450 trucks are being used to transport supplies to Viet Minh Army forces along the route between Laiyin and Chennankuan (106-41, 22-04).

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